

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF WISCONSIN

UNITED STATES SECURITIES
AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION,

Plaintiff,

****UNDER SEAL****

Case No. 23-cv-550-pp

v.

CHARLES T. LAWRENCE, JR.,

Defendant,

and

LANDES PRIVE, LLC,
LANDES AND COMPAGNIE TRUST PRIVE,
also known as Landes and Compagnie Trst Prive KB,
HEKYEAH, LLC, JUSTIN D. SMITH
and BRENDA M. BISNER,

Relief Defendants.

**ORDER GRANTING (WITH MODIFICATIONS) *EX PARTE* EMERGENCY
MOTION FOR ASSET FREEZE ORDER AND DENYING WITHOUT
PREJUDICE MOTION FOR A REPATRIATION ORDER (DKT. NO. 2)**

Plaintiff United States Securities and Exchange Commission has filed an *ex parte* emergency motion for an asset freeze order. Dkt. Nos. 2, 3 at 19. Along with the motion, the court has considered the plaintiff's memorandum of law in support of the motion, the declarations, exhibits and all other documents filed with the motion, dkt. nos. 2-1, 3, and has heard the plaintiff's arguments in support of the motion.

The court **FINDS** that:

The court has federal question subject matter jurisdiction over this case and there is cause to believe it will have personal jurisdiction over defendant Charles T. Lawrence, Jr. (“Lawrence”) and relief defendants Landes Prive, LLC, Landes and Compagnie Trust Prive aka Landes and Compagnie Trst Prive KB, HekYeah, LLC, Justin D. Smith and Brenda M. Bisner (collectively, “relief defendants”). The plaintiff is a proper party to bring this case requesting the relief sought in its complaint.

The plaintiff has made a sufficient and proper showing and there is good cause to believe that it will ultimately succeed in establishing that defendant Lawrence has engaged, is engaging and likely will continue engaging in transactions, practices and courses of business that violate the federal securities laws, as alleged in the complaint, including Section 17(a) of the Securities Act [15 U.S.C. §77q(a)]; and Section 10(b) of the Exchange Act [15 U.S.C. §78j] and Rule 10b-5 [17 CFR §240.10b-5].

There is good cause to believe that defendant Lawrence has obtained money or property from investors as a result of the securities laws violations alleged in the complaint.

There is good cause to believe that the relief defendants received money, property or other assets obtained from the misconduct alleged in the complaint; that they do not have a legitimate claim to such money, property or other assets; and it would be inequitable and unjust for them to retain any of it.

There is good cause to believe that unless frozen by order of this court, assets that otherwise could have been subject to an order of disgorgement and civil penalties under Section 20(d) of the Securities Act of 1933 [15 U.S.C. §77t(d)] and Section 21(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 [15 U.S.C. §78u(d)] will be dissipated, concealed or transferred from the jurisdiction of this court.

An order freezing assets is necessary to preserve the *status quo* and to protect this court's ability to award equitable relief for the benefit of any investors who may have been harmed by defendant Lawrence's conduct.

There is good cause to believe that providing notice of these proceedings may result in the dissipation, concealment or transfer of assets or the spoliation of evidence. The plaintiff's pleadings and attachments demonstrate that immediate and irreparable injury, loss or damage would result if defendant Lawrence and/or the relief defendants received contemporaneous notice of this lawsuit and this motion.

The court **ORDERS** that:

All funds and other assets owned, possessed, managed, controlled or held, whether directly or indirectly, by defendant Charles T. Lawrence, Jr.; Landes Prive, LLC, Landes and Compagnie Trust Prive aka Landes and Compagnie Trst Prive KB, HekYeah, LLC, Justin D. Smith and Brenda M. Bisner ("relief defendants") are **FROZEN**.

Defendant Lawrence and the relief defendants, and any of their respective agents, servants, employees, attorneys, depositories, banks and

those persons in active concert or participation with any one or more of them, and each of them, who receive actual notice of this order or its terms, by personal service, mail, facsimile transmission, email, or otherwise, are **RESTRAINED** from directly or indirectly transferring, selling, encumbering, receiving, concealing, changing, pledging, hypothecating, assigning, liquidating, incurring debt upon, or otherwise disposing of, or withdrawing, any funds, assets or other property (including money, real estate, personal property, securities, choses in action or any other form of asset or property of any kind whatsoever) that are subject to this order.

This asset freeze order extends to accounts at any bank, brokerage or other financial institution: (1) in the name of defendant Lawrence or any of the relief defendants; (2) that defendant Lawrence or any of the relief defendants has signatory authority or a beneficial interest; (3) that defendant Lawrence or any of the relief defendants directly or indirectly controls, owns or manages; (4) that is held for the benefit of defendant Lawrence or any of the relief defendants, including through corporations, trusts, partnerships, agents, nominees, friends or relatives; or (5) which are traceable to funds and assets, wherever located, belonging to the victims of the securities law violations alleged in the plaintiff's complaint.

Defendant Lawrence and any of the relief defendants, and their respective agents, servants, employees, attorneys, depositories, banks, and those persons in active concert or participation with any one or more of them, and each of them, who receive actual notice of this order or its terms, by

personal service, mail, facsimile transmission, email, or otherwise, are **RESTRAINED** from directly or indirectly transferring, selling, encumbering, receiving, concealing, changing, pledging, hypothecating, assigning, liquidating, incurring debt upon, or otherwise disposing of, or withdrawing, any funds or assets that constitute investor funds or any accounts or property into which investor funds were deposited or invested.

Defendant Lawrence and any of the relief defendants, and their agents, servants, employees, attorneys, depositories, banks, and those persons in active concert or participation with any one or more of them, and each of them, who receive actual notice of this order or its terms, by personal service, mail, facsimile transmission, email, or otherwise, are **RESTRAINED** from opening or causing to be opened any safe deposit boxes, commercial mail boxes, or storage facilities titled in the name of defendant Lawrence or any of the relief defendants, or subject to access by any of them, without providing the plaintiff prior reasonable notice and an opportunity to fully inspect the contents in order to determine whether they contain assets subject to this order.

Any bank, brokerage, or other financial institution, or other person or entity holding any funds or anything else of value, in the name of, for the benefit of, or under the control of defendant Lawrence or any of the relief defendants, wherever located, and that receives actual notice of this order or its terms, by personal service, mail, email, facsimile transmission or otherwise, must hold and retain within its control and prohibit the withdrawal, removal, transfer, disposition, pledge, encumbrance, assignment, set off, sale,

liquidation, dissipation, concealment, or other disposal of, any such funds, assets or property.

Funds, assets and property covered by this order include, but are not limited to, any holdings in the following accounts:

INSTITUTION	ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT TYPE	ACCOUNT HOLDER
Bank of America	XXXX6307	Checking	Landes Prive LLC
Bank of America	XXXX6310	Savings	Landes Prive LLC
Bank of America	XXXX2699	Unknown	Justin D Smith
Bank of America	XXXX2686	Unknown	Justin D Smith
Bank of America	XXXX8442	Credit Card	Justin D Smith
Bank of America	XXXX7969	Checking	Landes and Compagnie Trust Prive
Bank of America	XXXX7972	Savings	Landes and Compagnie Trust Prive
Bank of America	XXXX7330	Checking	Brenda M Bisner
Bank of America	XXXX3293	Savings	Brenda M Bisner
Bank of America	XXXX5264	Checking	HekYeah LLC
Bank of America	XXXX9125	Checking	Baby Toes Media LLC
Bank of America	XXXX4028	Credit Card	Landes and Co Trust
Bank of America	XXXX1672	Credit Card	Landes and Co Trust
Citibank	XXXX3436	Unknown	LBA Ventures LLC
Citibank	Unknown	Checking	Charles T Lawrence Jr.

INSTITUTION	ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT TYPE	ACCOUNT HOLDER
Citibank	Unknown	Credit Card	Charles T Lawrence Jr.
PayPal	Unknown	N/A	Brenda M Bisner
Paypal	Unknown	N/A	Baby Toes Media LLC
Venmo	Unknown	N/A	Brenda M Bisner
Venmo	Unknown	N/A	Charles T Lawrence Jr.
American Express	Unknown	Unknown	Brenda M Bisner
American Express	Unknown	Unknown	Justin D Smith
Robinhood	Unknown	Unknown	Brenda M Bisner
Robinhood	XXXX2649	Unknown	Justin D Smith
Huntington Bank	XXXX7304	Checking	Justin D Smith
Huntington Bank	XXXX6931	Savings	Justin D Smith
Huntington Bank	XXXX5228	Checking	Landes and Compagnie Trust Prive
Huntington Bank	XXXX2100	Checking	Landes and Compagnie Trust Prive
Huntington Bank	XXXX5851	Savings	Landes and Compagnie Trust Prive
Huntington Bank	XXXX1969	Unknown	Landes Capital Management LLC
Ally Invest	Unknown	Unknown	Justin D Smith
APEX Clearing	Unknown	Unknown	Justin D Smith

INSTITUTION	ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT TYPE	ACCOUNT HOLDER
Merrill Lynch	Unknown	Unknown	Justin D Smith
Capital One	Unknown	Credit Card	Justin D Smith
Wells Fargo	XXXX7527	Checking	Justin D Smith
Wells Fargo	XXXX3084	Credit Card	Justin D Smith
Wells Fargo	XXXX3683	Credit Card	Justin D Smith
Wells Fargo	XXXX3973	Credit Card	Justin D Smith
Wells Fargo	XXXX3225	Brokerage	Justin D Smith
CMG Capital Management Group	Unknown	Brokerage	Justin D Smith
Navy Federal Credit Union	XXXX0516	Checking	Justin D Smith
Coinbase	Unknown	Unknown	Justin D Smith
Credit One Bank	XXXX1140	Credit Card	Justin D Smith
Credit One Bank	XXXX9717	Credit Card	Justin D Smith
First Premier Bank	XXXX5998	Credit Card	Justin D Smith
First Premier Bank	XXXX3569	Credit Card	Justin D Smith
TD Ameritrade	XXXX2632	Brokerage	Landes and Compagnie Trust Prive KB
TD Ameritrade	XXXX9243	Brokerage	Justin D Smith
TD Ameritrade	XXXX2765	Unknown	Landes Capital Mangement LLC
JP Morgan Chase	XXXX9133	Unknown	Landes and Compagnie Trst Prive KB
TD Bank	XXXX4741	Unknown	Landes Prive LLC

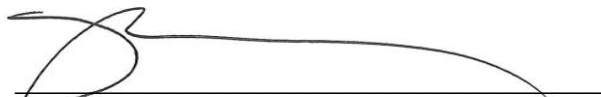
INSTITUTION	ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT TYPE	ACCOUNT HOLDER
San Blas Securities	XXXX6976	Unknown	Landes Prive LLC
San Blas Securities	XXXX0005	Unknown	Landes Prive LLC

To facilitate compliance with this order, no later than twenty-four (24) hours after receiving a copy of this order or notice of its terms, defendant Lawrence and each of the relief defendants must identify with specificity and disclose to the plaintiff all accounts—including but not limited to all bank accounts, brokerage accounts, retirement accounts, trust accounts and/or other financial accounts, wherever located—in which Lawrence or any of the relief defendants has an ownership or beneficial interest.

The court **DENIES WITHOUT PREJUDICE** the plaintiff's request for ancillary relief in the form of an order of repatriation. Dkt. No. 3 at 22.

Dated in Milwaukee, Wisconsin this 4th day of May, 2023.

BY THE COURT:



HON. PAMELA PEPPER
Chief United States District Judge